

## **Mental Health Awareness Month Proclamation**

**WHEREAS** addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of Decatur County, Indiana;

**WHEREAS** the need for comprehensive, coordinated mental health services for children, youth, and families places upon our community a critical responsibility;

**WHEREAS** it is appropriate that a month should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts toward our children's mental health and well-being;

**WHEREAS** One Community One Family; through its unique approach to serving children and adolescents, is effectively caring for the mental health needs of children, youth, and families in our community and beyond;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** We, the Decatur County Commissioners: Jerome Buening, Rick Nobbe & John H. Richards, do hereby proclaim May 2013, to be Mental Health Awareness Month and urge our citizens along with all agencies and organizations interested in meeting every child's mental health needs to unite during that month in the observance of such exercises as will acquaint the people of Decatur County with the fundamental necessity of a year-round program for children and youth with mental health needs and their families.

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